



PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yamazaki et al.  
 SERIAL No.: 10/661,790  
 FILING DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2003  
 FOR: MEMBRANE-BASED ASSAYS

Examiner: Foster, C.  
 Group Art Unit: 1641  
 Confirmation No. 9161

Petition for 1-Month Extension of Time

Mail Stop RCE  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P. O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant petitions for a 1-Month Extension of Time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated May 9, 2006, extending the period for response to September 9, 2006, which fell on a Saturday, thus extending the period for response to the following business day, Monday, September 11, 2006.

- Fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)):  Small Entity: \$60.00
  - Enclosed is a check including the above amount due.
- Applicant petitions for an additional Extension of Time if necessary for timely filing of this petition and enclosures.
- Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment for timely consideration of this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Respectfully submitted,

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